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Daniel J. Hulseberg Baker Botts LLP 30 Rockefeller Plaza New York, NY 10112-4498 In Re: Patent Term Extension
Application for
U.S. Patent No. 5,451,233

Dear Mr. Hulseberg:

An interim extension under 35 U.S.C. § 156(e)(2) is enclosed extending the term of U.S. Patent No. 5,451,233 for a period of an additional 1 year. While a courtesy copy of this letter is being forwarded to the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), you should directly correspond with the FDA regarding any required changes to any patent expiration dates.

Inquiries regarding this communication should be directed to the undersigned by telephone at (571) 272-7755, or by e-mail at mary till@uspto.gov.

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Food and Drug Administration

10903 New Hampshire Ave., Bldg. 51, Rm. 6222

Silver Spring, MD 20993-0002

RE: XIENCE V® EECSS

(everolimus eluting coronary

stent system)

Docket No.: FDA-2008-E-0551

Attention: Beverly Friedman

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Abbott Cardiovascular Systems, Inc. Request for Patent Term Extension U.S. Patent No. 5,451,233

ORDER GRANTING INTERIM EXTENSION

On July 25, 2008, Abbott Cardiovascular Systems, Inc., an agent of Paul G. Yock, the owner of record in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) of U.S. Patent No. 5,451,233, filed an application for patent term extension under 35 U.S.C. § 156. The extended term of the patent is due to expire on October 29, 2009. The patent claims the medical device, XIENCE V® EECSS (everolimus eluting coronary stent system), which was approved by the Food and Drug Administration for commercial marketing or use on July 2, 2008. An extension of 937 days is requested.

The initial USPTO review of the application to date indicates that the subject patent is eligible for extension of the patent term under 35 U.S.C. § 156. A final determination of the length of the extension of the patent term and issuance of a patent term extension certificate cannot be made until a final determination of the length of the regulatory review period is made. Because the original term of the patent would expire before a certificate of patent term extension can be issued, an interim extension of the patent term is appropriate.

An interim extension under 35 U.S.C. § 156(e)(2) of the term of U.S. Patent No. 5,451,233 is granted for a period of one year from the extended expiration date of the patent.

10/29/09 Date

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Under Secretary of Commerce for Intellectual Property and Director of the United States Patent and Trademark Office